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The Sarasota Concert Association Announces the 2026 Music Matinee Series Free Concerts Featuring Outstanding Regional Artists Move to St. Andrew United Church of Christ

Sarasota, FL (June 16, 2025)—The Sarasota Concert Association announces its 2026 Music Matinee Series featuring four free concerts by exceptional regional artists. Beginning in January 2026, the Music Matinee concerts will take place at a new location: St. Andrew United Church of Christ, located at 6908 Beneva Road in Sarasota. The move is part of SCA's commitment to expanding capacity and enhancing the concert experience for the growing number of music lovers attending these popular afternoon performances.

The 2026 schedule begins **January 14, 2026**, with **EnsembleNewSRQ**. This innovative contemporary chamber ensemble performs bold, thought-provoking works by modern composers and features percussionist George Nickson and violinist Samantha Bennett.

The Sarasota Concert Association welcomes **Dr. Jonathan Godfrey** on **February 11, 2026.** Godfrey is an acclaimed guitarist and composer who will present an inspiring program of classical and contemporary works accompanied by a pianist to be announced.

On March 25, 2026, Sarasota Opera Studio Artists will perform a delightful selection of arias and duets that will be presented in their upcoming season.

The season ends on **April 15, 2026** with a performance by **Hot Club SRQ.** The dynamic Gypsy Jazz ensemble will perform a mix of Gypsy Jazz, Latin, BeBop, modern jazz, and classic American standards.

The series is made possible with support from The Exchange.

Admission to all Music Matinee concerts is free, but reservations are required. Registration opens **30 days prior** to each concert. For more information and to register, visit www.scasarasota.org or call the SCA Box Office at (941) 966-6161.

The attached photos are courtesy of the artists. Please contact Carrie@SCAsarasota.org for additional concert information, full biographies, or photos.

About the Sarasota Concert Association

The Sarasota Concert Association (SCA) is a nonprofit organization that fosters greater appreciation for world-class classical music by offering the community two engaging concert series. Now in its 81st season, the Great Performers Series presents world-renowned orchestras, recitalists, and chamber groups; Music Matinees feature outstanding regional artists in free community concerts, and Special Events are presented in venues throughout the region. For more information about SCA, visit www.SCAsarasota.org.

- ENSEMBLE NEW SRQ
 Wednesday, January 14, 2026, at 2:00 pm
 St. Andrew United Church of Christ
- DR. JONATHAN GODFREY
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- SARASOTA OPERA STUDIO ARTISTS Wednesday, March 25, 2026, at 2:00 pm St. Andrew United Church of Christ
- HOT CLUB SRQ Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at 2:00 pm St. Andrew United Church of Christ

Tickets are free, registration is required and available at www.SCAsarasota.org or by calling the Box Office at (941) 966-6161 **30 days prior** to the performance date.